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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

SUBJECT: NSC Steering Committee Meeting on 9 August 1951

- 1. The meeting of the NSC Steering Committee on Thursday, 9 August, was devoted entirely to planning for the revision of MSC 68 which is due on 1 October. It was obvious to all that it would be extremely difficult to meet this deadline so far as some of the war production programs were concerned. At the same time it was recognized that Part I which would consist of a forecast of international conditions through fiscal 1953 would be highly desirable in the planning of further programs, and that therefore it should be pursued with the utmost vigor. I am meeting on Monday afternoon with representatives of the State and Defense Departments to agree on the terms of reference for this Part I.
- 2. With respect to other programs, including of course the intelligence programs. it was decided that these should be submitted to the NSC staff not later than 10 September. It was agreed that what was needed was not so much an evaluation of existing programs as a presentation of expanded or additional programs as they have become needed since approval of NSC 68/L.
- 3. I have called Mr. Reber's attention to the requirement for a report by 10 September, but the development of intelligence programs goes beyond my province and you will undoubtedly want to give Mr. Reber appropriate directives on this subject.

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